

1 GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
2 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION  
3 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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6 IN THE MATTER OF: :

7 Donburi, LLC: Case #16-CMP-00624

8 t/a Donburi D.C. :

9 2438 18th Street NW :

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10 License #96770 :
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11 Retailer CR :

12      ANC   IC    :

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13  No ABC Manager on Duty      :
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15 Wednesday, April 26, 2017

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17               Whereupon, the above-referenced matter  
18    came on for hearing at the Alcoholic Beverage  
19    Control Board, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street,  
20    N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

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1 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

2 DONOVAN ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN

3 NICK ALBERTI, BOARD MEMBER

4 JAKE PERRY, BOARD MEMBER

5 MIKE SILVERSTEIN, BOARD MEMBER

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7 ALSO PRESENT:

8 WALTER ADAMS

9 KEAMI MONROE

10 SUENG JOON JANG

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 SHOW CAUSE HEARING (STATUS)

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Moving on with our  
4 calendar, the next case is #16-CMP-00624,  
5 Donburi, D.C., License #96770. Will the parties  
6 please approach and identify themselves for the  
7 record, please?

8 MS. MONROE: Keami Monroe, special attorney  
9 general for the District of Columbia.

10 MR. ADAMS: Walter Adams, the Assistant  
11 Attorney General, representing the District of  
12 Columbia.

13 MR. JANG: Sueng Joon Jang, the owner of the  
14 restaurant.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Jang, Ms. Monroe,  
16 just for my edification, what did you just say  
17 after you gave your name?

18 MS. MONROE: Special Assistant Attorney  
19 General.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: What does that mean,  
21 ma'am?

22 MS. MONROE: That means I am pro bono but

1 we're fancy so we say "special attorney."

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, thank you,  
3 ma'am, but you know when you put lingo that I  
4 don't understand as an attorney I'm going to ask  
5 questions, so that's one of the reasons why --  
6 all right, thank you for being here this morning.  
7 So, Ms. Monroe, are there any preliminary matters  
8 in this case?

9 MS. MONROE: Yes, Mr. Chairman, there are.  
10 We would like to offer or propose an offer in  
11 compromise. The District moves to dismiss charge  
12 #1 and accept a penalty for \$1250 for charge #2,  
13 and that will be payable today, and if not paid  
14 then the license will be suspended until paid.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Jang, it's my  
16 understanding that there is a offer in compromise  
17 of a fine of \$1250, that charge #1 will be  
18 dismissed and that the fine of \$1250 will be  
19 payable within 30 days and if it's not payable in  
20 30 days the license will be suspended. Is this  
21 your understanding, sir, of the offer in  
22 compromise?

1 MR. JANG: Yes, sir.

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Are you aware that by  
3 accepting an offer in compromise you're giving up  
4 your right to a hearing?

5 MR. JANG: Yes, sir.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Are you also aware  
7 that by accepting an offer in compromise that you  
8 are giving up your right to appeal this matter?

9 MR. JANG: Yes.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, do we have  
11 any questions by any board members regarding this  
12 offer in compromise? Hearing none, I make a  
13 motion that this offer in compromise of a fine of  
14 \$1250 be acceptable, that charge #1 will be  
15 dismissed and that they will pay a fine of \$1250  
16 for charge #2, and if the fine is not payable  
17 within 30 days the license will be suspended  
18 until payment is made. Is there a second?

19 MR. SILVERSTEIN: Second.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Silverstein has  
21 seconded the motion. All those in favor say aye.  
22 (chorus of ayes.) Those opposed? (No audible

1 response.) The matter passed five-zero-zero.

2 Thank you very much.

3 MS. MONROE: Mr. Chairman?

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Yes, Ms. Monroe?

5 MS. MONROE: I did forget one issue and I  
6 apologize for that. The establishment did have  
7 one thing that they wanted to make mention to the  
8 board.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Go ahead, Mr. Jang.  
10 Are you making it or is Mr. Jang making it?

11 MS. MONROE: Mr. Jang.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Go ahead, Mr. Jang.

13 MR. JANG: So, it's just a comment. So, as  
14 for the violation of the certificate of  
15 occupancy, it's a very tiny restaurant. We have  
16 eleven sits and then our dock unloading is  
17 [Inaudible 42:50] and then on the liquor license,  
18 we only have ten, so I just wanted to mention  
19 that I am, you know, trying to match the  
20 certificate of occupancy to the one that we have  
21 on this, and then at the same time I'm trying my  
22 best to keep that many people in my restaurant as

1 much as I can.

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, sir, for  
3 your representation, and we need to make sure  
4 that our records match and so we have to make  
5 sure, you have to know that when we come in we're  
6 going to look at the license that -- what we give  
7 you -- and so, therefore, whatever is on the  
8 license that we give you, if it doesn't match up  
9 with the certificate of occupancy that you have  
10 that's from the board, it's our agency, we're the  
11 ones investigating, so you need to make sure that  
12 if DCRA gives you more, you come back to us and  
13 say, 'you know, I need you to change it,' but  
14 thank you for making that representation. Thank  
15 you.

16 MR. ADAMS: Thank you very much.

17 MS. MONROE: Thank you.

18 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter was  
19 concluded.)